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To: Health Care Providers
From: Massachusetts Department of Public Health
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Re: Information on the Prevention and Control of Influenza

This packet contains the following documents with information about the prevention and control of influenza and pneumococcal disease, as well as order forms for free informational materials for providers and the public. The documents contained in this mailing are also available electronically on the MDPH Flu Website at www.mass.gov/dph/flu - click on *Seasonal Flu*.

1. Recommendations and Resources for the Control of Influenza, 2008 - 2009
2. Influenza Vaccine Tables 2008 - 2009
3. Public Flu Clinic Website Flyer
4. Cover letter re: Reporting of laboratory-confirmed cases of influenza
5. Rapid Influenza Diagnostic Testing Report Form
6. MDPH *Flu: What You Can do – Caring for People at Home* materials order form
7. MDPH Flu educational materials order form
8. MDPH Handwashing educational materials order form

Vaccine Information Statements (VISs) for all vaccines and in many different languages are available on-line at www.immunize.org/vis.

Singles copies are also available by calling 617-983-6800.

MDPH will issue Flu Updates with information on influenza vaccine availability, recommendations and resources on a regular basis throughout the flu season. For more information, visit the MDPH Flu Website at www.mass.gov/dph/flu and click on *Seasonal Flu*. You can also call MDPH at 617-983-6800 or toll-free at 888-658-2850.